O.E.F. DIVISION							
30	Ordnance Equipment Fy., Kanpur . .	128.41	113.91	86.15	128.41	84.50	65.81
31	Ordnance Clothing Fy. Shahjahanpur	118.18	93.95	79.50	118.18	102.71	86.91
32	Ordnance Clothing Fy. Avadi . .	56.82	39.81	70.07	56.82	38.59	68.09
33	Ordnance Parachute Fy. Kanpur . .	48.86	45.31	92.73	48.86	47.1	96.43
34	Ordnance Equipment Fy. Hazratpur	9.27	10.73	115.72	9.27	12.77	137.72
A.V. DIVISION							
35	Heavy Vehicle Factory, Avadi . .	45.47	35.21	77.44	42.84	38.31	89.43
36	Ordnance factory Project, Medak .	25.50	13.29	52.12	25.50	13.96	54.75
37	Engine Factory, Avadi	7.87	5.19	65.18	7.87	8.15	103.50
38	Ord Fy Dehradun .	23.11	18.86	31	23.11	17.61	76.20
39	Opto Electronics Fy, Dehradun . .	19.85	9.73	48.02	19.88	12.31	62.02

Criteria for promotion to Chief of Army Staff

1887. SARDAR GURCHARAN SINGH TOHRA: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there are any specific undeclared stipulations ruling out the promotion of general officers belonging to particular religion or community; and

(b) if not, the reasons due to which no Sikh General Officer has beeen made Chief of the Army Staff in India so far, overlooking their tremendous performance during peace as well as war?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Promotions in the Army are based on the record profile of the officer and merits of the case. For appointment to the post of Chief of the Army Staff, the cases of all eligible officers Army Commanders and Vice Chief of Army Staff) are considered and the selection is made having regard to the seniority, merit and suitability. No senior-most eligible officer belonging to the Sikh Community has been superseded for appointment to the post of the Chief of Army Staff.

High level inquiry against Defence personnel

1888. MISS SAROJ KHAPARDE: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Prime Minister's Office has ordered an investigation against the top defence sservices personnel in the Army, Air Force and Navy;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether a high level inquiry has been ordered by the Home Minister; and

(d) if so, whether the Intelligence Bureau has submitted a report?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Ministry of Home Affairs had ordered an inquiry by the Special Secretary, MHA into certain nquiries made by the police with regard to the character and antecedents of the top defence services personnel in the Army, Air Force and Navy, who were to attend the Combined Commanders' Conference, 1998. The report has since been submitted.

(d) Does not arise.

Naval base on Gujarat coast

1889. SHRI PRAFULL GORADIA: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considering setting-up a Naval base on Gujarat coast keeping in view its proximity to Pakistan;

(b) wheher any survey has been done to select a suitable site for the purpose;

(c) if so. the detail thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons for not strengthening the Naval installations along the long Gujarat coast?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) to (c) The Navy already has a Naval Base INS Dwarka at Okha in Gujarat. In addition, a Naval Officer-in-charge (Gujarat) of the rank of Commodore is stationed at Porbandar. Therefore, presently there is no requirement of an additional Naval base.

(d) The existing infrastructure of the Navy on the Gujarat coast is presently adequate to meet the security requirements of the area

रक्षा परियोजनाओं के विकास हेतु धनराशि

1890. **श्री चिमन भाई हरिभाई शुक्ला** : क्या रक्षा मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) सरकार द्वारा आठवीं पंचवर्षीय योजना के अन्त तक रक्षा संबंधी परियोजनाओं के विकास हेतु कुल कितनी धनराशि का प्रावधान किया गया;

(ख) इस अवधि के दौरान तीनों सेवाओं के लिये उपलब्ध कराई गई वित्तीय सहायता का ब्यौरा क्या है;

(ग) क्या इस वित्तीय आबंटन में कोई असमानता पाई गई है, जिसके परिणामस्वरूप कुछ महत्वपूर्ण परियोजनाओं को स्थगित करना पड़ा है ; और

(घ) यदि हां, तो इसके क्या कारण हैं ?

रक्षा मंत्री (श्री जार्ज फर्नांडीज) : (क) और (ख) आठवीं पंचवर्षीय योजना की अवधि के दौरान रक्षा से संबंधित परियोजनाओं के विकास के लिये पूंजी के तहत 30,33.87 करोड़ रुपये का प्रावधान किया गया था । सेनावार ब्यौरा इस प्रकार है:-

(करोड़ रु० में)

सेना	9,486.72
नौसेना	7,559.57
वायुसेना	13,277.58
कुल :	30,323.87